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Subject:

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ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE-FREE
CONTAINER FOR INSULATING ARTICLES

Grp. Art Unit: 2812

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Enclosed is Form PTO-1449, Information Disclosure Citation
In An Application.

The following Patents and/or Publications are submitted to
comply with the duty of disclosure under CFR 1.97-1.99 and
37 CFR 1.56. Copies of each document is included herewith.

U.S. Patent 4,776,462 to Kosugi et al., "Container for a
Sheet-Like Article," discloses a container for a reticle.

U.S. Patent 5,469,963 to Bonora et al., "Sealable
Transportable Container Having Improved Liner," discloses a
transportable, sealable container, which has an improved pod
liner.



The following two U.S. Patents disclose containers for ESD protection of reticles:

- 1) U.S. Patent 6,196,391 to Li, "Electrostatic Discharge-Free Container for Insulating Articles."
- 2) U.S. Patent 5,999,397 to Chen et al., "Method for Preventing Electrostatic Discharge Damage to an Insulating Article."

Sincerely

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